HOUSE BILL 1777

By Marsh

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-16-603, relative to evading arrest.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-16-603(b)(3), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:

(3)

- (A) Except as provided in subdivision (b)(3)(B), a violation of this subsection (b) is a Class E felony and shall be punished by confinement for not less than ninety (90) days.
- (B) If the flight or attempt to elude creates a risk of death or injury to innocent bystanders, pursuing law enforcement officers, or other third parties, a violation of this subsection (b) is a Class D felony and shall be punished by confinement for not less than one hundred eighty (180) days.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016, the public welfare requiring it.